

Sponne School

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Dear Parents/Carers

Austrian Ski Trip March 27th – 2nd April 2021

Thank you for your interest in the Sponne Ski Trip to Austria in 2021. We are now in a position to proceed with the trip. The trip includes return transport to St Anton, Austria, skis, poles, ski boots and helmet hire, ski pass, fully supervised ski instruction for 6 days, full board accommodation in Flirsch at the Pezina Hotel, three nights of evening entertainment.

We will be travelling with Ski Team 4 who are an ABTA bonded travel company, we have used them in the past and have found them exceptionally professional. This trip is not a compulsory part of the curriculum, but provides students the opportunity to ski in Austria. With 505km of piste, it offers a good variety of slopes to challenge skiers of all abilities, 70% snow-making coverage and at a height from 1304m to 2811, we are pretty much snow sure. St Anton is one of the premier resorts in the world.

More information can be found about St Anton and Ski Team 4 at <https://www.skiteam4.com/skiarea/st-anton-arlberg-lech-zuers/>

The total cost of the trip is £1060 and includes fully comprehensive insurance.

We kindly request that by securing a place on this trip, parents/carers are in agreement to follow the Payment Plan detailed below. It is important that the Plan is adhered to as it enables School to be able to fulfil an arranged commitment with the tour operator to pay invoices in instalments. It is also designed to spread the cost for parents before the final date so that a large sum does not become due in one instalment.

To secure a place for your child we will require payments as follows :

- £90 by end of Jan 2020
- £90 by end of Feb 2020

Followed with :-

- £100 monthly for 8 months, due by the end of March, April, May, June, July, August, September, October 2020
- £80 final payment due by the end of November 2020

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Please be advised that should a place be booked for your son/daughter and they later withdraw, we always endeavour to find a replacement student for the place. However if this is not possible, the tour operator will retain a minimum of the first deposit amount (£180) and up to 100% of the trip price depending on the date of cancellation.

Should concerns be raised by school staff regarding behaviour or attendance issues of students, the school reserves the right to withdraw places on the trip at any time. Should this become necessary no refunds of monies paid will be forthcoming.

The trip is now open and active on TSCO -Scopay for all eligible students. If you wish your son / daughter to go on this trip, you must give your consent by ticking the consent box on the TSCO payment page. Click on the name of the trip highlighted in green, enter the payment amount, tick the Permission Slip box, add to basket and proceed to payment. A first payment of **£90** will be required by **at the latest by 31st January 2020** to confirm their place. Please be aware that if insufficient funds are received or if numbers of students are too low, it may be necessary to cancel the trip.

All payments should be made via TSCO - Scopay. If you require any assistance, please contact Claire Invernizzi cinvernizzi@sponne.org.uk on 01327 350284 ext 106.

Please contact STrulser@sponne.org.uk or MSoltau@sponne.org.uk with any specific trip queries.

Yours faithfully,

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